Quiz B: 8/9/16

Name Key

All Bad Choices (ABC) Inc. is considering building a new factory that will require an investment of \$150 million today and \$100 million a year from today. ABC expects that the new factory will produce its first cash flow two years from today. ABC expects this first cash flow to range between \$10 and \$50 million with an expected value of \$35 million per year through 20 years from today. If cash flows are lower than expected, the factory can be sold any time over the next five years for \$95 million. And if cash flow are greater than expected, the factory can be expanded any time over the next three years at a cost of \$125 million. ABC expects that the expansion would generate cash flows between \$5 million and \$25 million with an expected cash flow of \$20 million per year through 20 years from today. The standard deviation of returns on the new factory equals 35% over its entire life, 40% over the next five years, and 45% over the next five years. The standard deviation of returns on the expansion equals 50% over the life of the expansion, 60% over the next five years, and 65% over the next three years. The risk-free rate varies by maturity to maturity as follows: 1 = 0.56%; 2 = 0.72%; 3 = 0.86%; 5 = 1.13%; 7 = 1.41%; 10 = 1.59%; 20 = 1.91%; 30 = 2.32%. The cost of capital equals 10% for the project and 13% for the expansion.

How does the possibility of <u>expanding the factory</u> if sales are greater than expected affect the value of the new plant? Note: You only need to set up all the necessary equations and plug in all the variables. You don't have to solve anything.

$$+5 C = S(N(d_{1})) - PV(K)(N(d_{2}))$$

$$+5 S = \left(\frac{20}{(13)}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1(13)}\right)^{1/2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{1(13)}\right)^{3}$$

$$+5 d_{1} = \frac{Jm(Sm)}{T(T)} + \frac{TT}{2}$$

$$+5 d_{2} = d_{1} - TT$$

$$+5 PV(K) = \frac{125}{(1-1)^{3}}$$

$$F = \frac{125}{(1.0066)^3 + 5}$$

+10